

REMARKS

By the present amendment, Applicant has cancelled Claims 1, 3-6, 10, 13 and 14. Claims 2, 7-9, 11, 12 and 15-18 were cancelled previously. Claims 19 and 20 remain pending in the present application. Claim 19 is the only independent claim.

In the recent Office Action the Examiner rejected Claims 1, 3-6, 10, 13 and 14 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as being based on an insufficiently disclosed invention. Claims 1, 3-6, 10, 13 and 14 were also rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Luedecke (US 6,186,355) in view of Kesinger et al. (US 3,802,560). The cancellation of Claims 1, 3-6, 10, 13 and 14 by the present amendment serves to render these particular grounds of rejection moot.

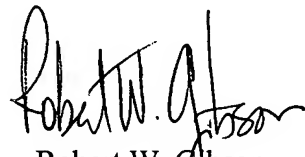
The indication by the Examiner that Claims 19 and 20 are allowed over the prior art of record is noted with appreciation. Since Applicant has cancelled all rejected claims, with only allowed Claims 19 and 20 remaining in the application, Applicant respectfully submits that, for the reasons set forth in the Examiner's "Reasons for Allowance", the present application is in condition for allowance.

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For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance. If such is not the case, the Examiner is requested to kindly contact the undersigned in an effort to satisfactorily conclude the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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